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Application of : Shigetaka TANAKA

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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR GROUP 3 FACSIMILE
CAPABLE OF PROPERLY PERFORMING A COMMUNICATIONS
OPERATION USING OPTIONAL FRAMES

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In response to the final Office Action dated August 29, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follow:

In The Claims

Please amend claims 1, 4 and 7 as follows:

1. (Amended) A facsimile communication method for performing a Group 3 facsimile communications operation using an optional frame signal, comprising:
providing a facsimile apparatus with a memory which prestores identification

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